GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
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PRODUCTION LOSS TO BCCL
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

to the reply given to the Unstarred Question No. 2444 dated August 7, 2001 regarding Production loss to BCCL and state :

(a) the details of each factor responsible for the production loss of coal in Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) during the last three years and till-date, year-wise; and

(b) the corrective steps taken to set the matter right?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL & MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a): The details of each factor responsible for the loss of coal production in Bharat Coking CoalLimited (BCCL) during the last three years and till date is as follows:

Loss of Production

(in `000 tonnes)

Description	1998-99	1999-00 (Provisional)	2000-01	2001-02
Power Failure	447295	292285	598788	422133
Non availability of land	42331	9378	212052	178331
Rain/Drowning	59690	11728	70633	48851
Equipment breakdown	1175923	764774	1632429	1191684
Shortage of funds	2730	2610	41541	63956
Geo Mining disturbance	2636	18167	62991	192690
Others	1357332	708515	1421888	1265655
Total Loss	3087937	1807457	4040322	3363300

(b): The following corrective steps have been taken by BCCL to reduce the loss of production:-

i) Power failure − Close liaison with the Damodar Valley Corporation officials to improve matters with respect to increased availability of power, redistribution of critical peak loads, reorganisation of power lines and planned overhaul of electrical equipment.
ii) Problem of Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation − Frequent follow up with district and state authorities, coordination meeting with Chief Minister and concerned Secretaries of Jharkhand State, frequentinteraction with revenue and forest officials for follow up of pending land acquisition proposals and direct purchase of land through mutual negotiation with villagers.
iii) Inundation of mines − Augmentation of pumping capacity in the mines, detailed action plan for monsoon preparation to prevent flooding of mines.
iv) Shortage of funds − Utilisation of surplus and spare able equipment of sister subsidiaries and by loan from Coal India Limited.
v) Equipment break down − Better spare management and inventory control.